

**CAPSULE SUMMARY****CT-368****William Spicknall House****7748 Old Bayside Road****Chesapeake Beach, Calvert County****c1860****Private**

Built circa 1860, the historic house at 7748 Old Bayside Road is representative of a modest Greek Revival-style dwelling constructed during the mid-19th century in Calvert County. The house incorporates Greek Revival-style attic windows and shouldered brick chimneys consistent with the mid-19th century. The dwelling is located west of the community of Chesapeake Beach, which developed in the late 19th century as a weekend vacation resort for residents of Washington, D.C. The house reflects substantial alterations since it was last surveyed over 20 years ago. At that time the house was clad in asbestos shingles and had a well house at the east gable end. During the recent renovation undertaken by John Helms between 1980 and 1990, the house was moved from its original location close to the road further back on the lot. The house, which originally rested on a brick pier foundation, was placed on a new parged foundation. The west chimney was moved in situ, while the east chimney was disassembled in pieces and reassembled in the new location. The renovation also included the replacement of the windows, replacement of the roofing material, the cladding of the building in board-and-batten siding, and the construction of one-story additions to the west and north (rear) elevations.

The one-and-a-half-story wood-frame dwelling is one-and-a-half stories in height with a one-story shed-roof addition to the west elevation and a one-story 1920s addition to the north (rear) elevation. The house is set on a solid, parged concrete foundation, is clad in board-and-batten siding, and features a side-gabled asphalt-shingled roof. The dwelling is anchored by an exterior-end shouldered brick chimney and an interior-end brick chimney, both featuring corbeled caps and stretcher-bond construction. The three-bay façade is marked by a central entry with a gabled portico. The single-bay portico features a molded wood cornice with flared cornice ends, wood Tuscan columns, and a brick pier foundation. The central entry features a single-leaf replacement door two-light and two-panel wood door with a square-edged wood surround. The entry portico is flanked by 6/6 wood windows with square-edged wood surrounds and projecting square-edged sills. Two six-light wood casement windows on the half story also light the house. Associated with the dwelling are two non-historic sheds and a non-historic workshop.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CT-368

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic William Spicknall House

other

### 2. Location

street and number 7748 Old Bayside Road not for publication

city, town Chesapeake Beach vicinity

county Calvert

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name John S. Helms and Bonnie L. Helms

street and number 7748 Old Bayside Road telephone Unknown

city, town Chesapeake Bch. state MD zip code 20732

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 103:11

city, town Pr. Frederick liber ABE 734 folio 564

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report  
☐ Other

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			1

## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

**SETTING.** Accessed by a long gravel drive, the dwelling sits on a large grassy lot, which slopes to the north. The property is augmented with foundation plantings, mature trees and shrubs, and numerous plantings. Set in a suburban context, the dwelling features numerous outbuilding, concrete and brick paths, and two wood decks. Three non-historic sheds improve the property. An undated photograph, circa 1980, also reveals that a now-demolished brick well house with a gabled roof once sat to the southeast of the main block. (1)

**PRIMARY RESOURCE.** Constructed circa 1860, the wood-frame dwelling, located on Old Bayside Road, measures one-and-a-half stories in height. It is set on a solid, parged concrete foundation, is clad in board-and-batten siding, and features a side-gabled asphalt-shingled roof. The house, which faces south, has a one-story shed-roof addition to the west elevation and a one-story addition to the north (rear) elevation. The dwelling is anchored by an exterior-end shouldered brick chimney and an interior-end brick chimney, both featuring corbeled caps and stretcher-bond construction. The three-bay façade is marked by a central entry with a gabled portico. The single-bay portico features a molded wood cornice with flared cornice ends, wood Tuscan columns, and a brick pier foundation. Horizontal weatherboards are in the tympanum. The central entry features a single-leaf replacement door two-light and two-panel wood door with a square-edged wood surround. The entry portico is flanked by 6/6 wood windows with square-edged wood surrounds and projecting square-edged sills. Two six-light wood casement windows, set under the overhanging eaves, and two fixed two-light wood basement-level windows also light the house. The circa 1920 wood-frame west addition, also clad in board-and-batten siding, features a shed roof with asphalt shingles, a wood cornice, a parged concrete foundation, and a 6/6 wood window with square-edged surrounds.

**SECONDARY RESOURCES.** Located in the front yard of the dwelling are two sheds. The circa 1980 wood-frame shed features plywood cladding and a sheet-metal-clad shed roof. A greenhouse addition extends from the south elevation. The wood-frame machine shed, constructed circa 1990, features plywood cladding and a shed asphalt-shingle roof.

Northwest of the dwelling is a small one-story workshop dating to circa 1990. It is clad in plywood and has a shed roof.

### ENDNOTES

(1) Stinson, Merry. "William Spicknall House," CT-368. Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form for State Historic Sites Survey. Maryland Historical Trust, Crownsville, MD.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

**Specific dates** c1860, c1995

**Architect/Builder** Unknown

**Construction dates** c1860, c1995

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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### ENDNOTES

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(2) Helms, John. Telephone interview by Carrie E. Albee, March 18, 2003.

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 1.39 Acres

Acreage of historical setting Unknown

Quadrangle name North Beach

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic house is located at 7748 Old Bayside Road in Chesapeake Beach, Maryland. It has been associated with Tax Map 103, Parcel 11, Subdivision 349, Lot 5R since its construction in the mid-19th century. The current deed to the property can be found in the land records of Calvert County in the Calvert County Courthouse in Prince Frederick: Deed Book ABE 734, Page 564.

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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organization EHT Traceries, Inc.

date 3/19/03

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state DC zip code 20001

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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Crownsville MD 21032  
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Name William Spicknall House

Continuation Sheet

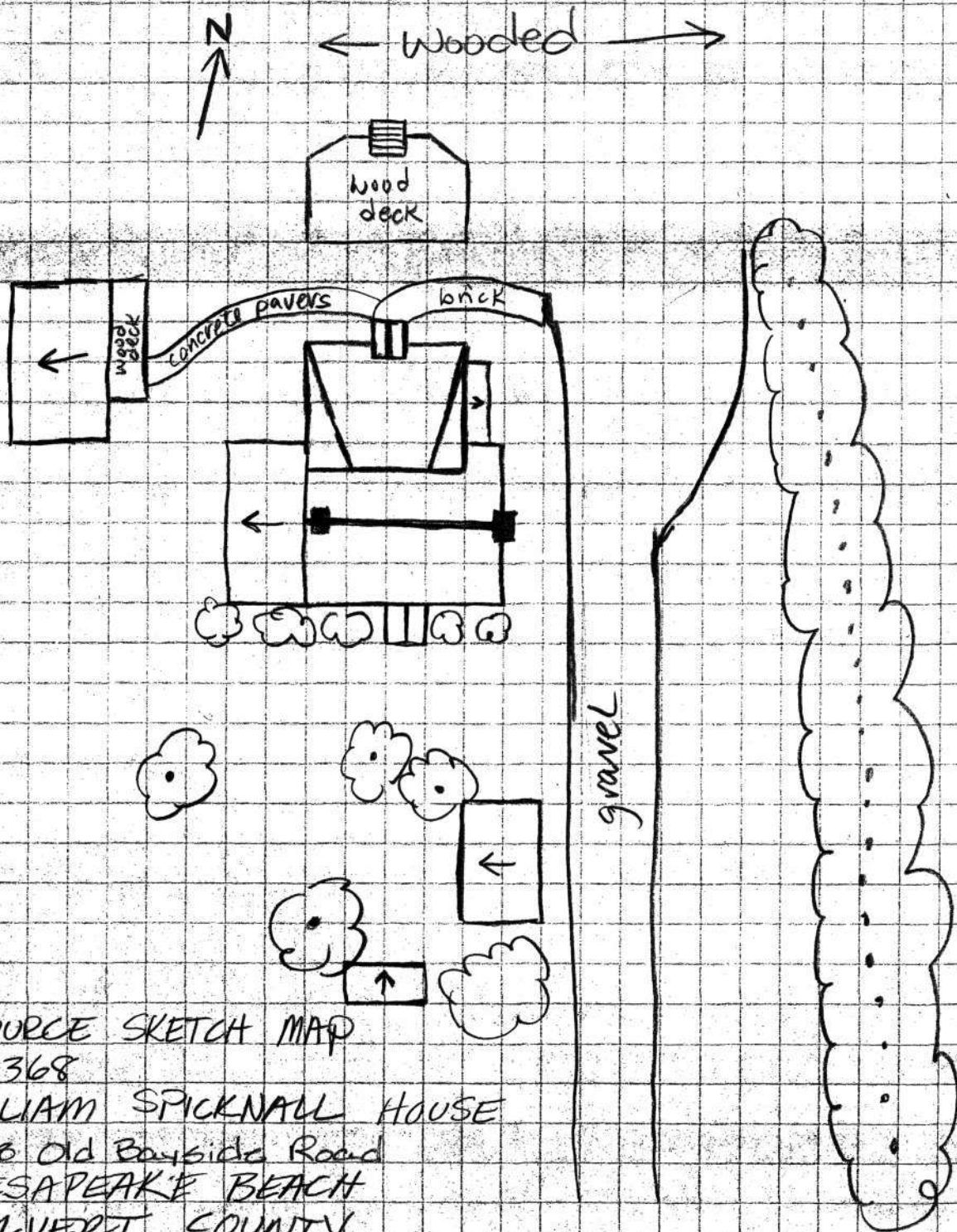
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RESOURCE SKETCH MAP  
CT-368  
WILLIAM SPICKNALL HOUSE  
7746 Old Bayside Road  
CHESAPEAKE BEACH  
CALVERT COUNTY

CT-368  
William Spicknall House  
7748 Old Bayside Road  
Chesapeake Beach, Calvert County  
North Beach USGS Quad

Poplars

Randle Cliff  
Beach

Navy

U.S. NATAL  
RESERVATION

Wave

BM  
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Locust Grove  
Beach

Holiday  
Beach

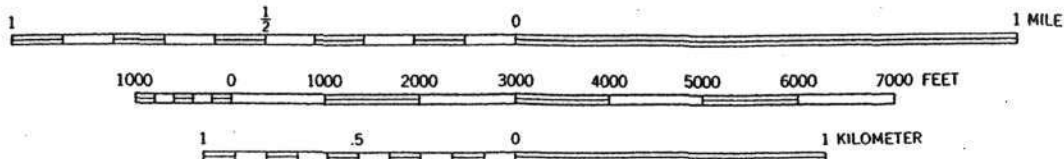
Camp  
Roosevelt

NORTH BEACH, MD.

N3837.5—W7630/7.5

1953  
PHOTOREVISED 1979  
AMS 5661 II NE—SERIES V833

SCALE 1:24000



CONTOUR INTERVAL, 20 FEET  
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929  
DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER  
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DATUMS IS VARIABLE  
SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN HIGH WATER  
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS 1 FOOT AT CHESAPEAKE BEACH



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CT-368  
Map 103  
Parcel 11  
Lot 5R



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WILLIAM SPICKNALL HOUSE  
7748 OLD BAYSIDE ROAD  
CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

HOUSE, SOUTHEAST CORNER

1 OF 3



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WILLIAM SPICKNALL HOUSE

7748 OLD BAYSIDE ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

HOUSE, SOUTHWEST CORNER

2 OF 3





CT-368

WILLIAM SPICKNALL HOUSE

7748 OLD BAYSIDE ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

HOUSE, NORTHEAST CORNER

3 OF 3

CT-368  
WILLIAM SPICKNALL HOUSE  
(Mid-19th Century)  
Chesapeake Beach  
Private

This gable-roofed frame house is unusual for its true  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -story height. The south-facing three-bay facade features small windows in the half-story under the eaves line. An interior chimney heats the west end, while an exterior chimney heats the east end.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

CT-368

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

William Spicknall House

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Bayside Road

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake Beach

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Calvert County

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

\_\_\_DISTRICT

☒BUILDING(S)

\_\_\_STRUCTURE

\_\_\_SITE

\_\_\_OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

\_\_\_PUBLIC

☒PRIVATE

\_\_\_BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

\_\_\_IN PROCESS

\_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒OCCUPIED

\_\_\_UNOCCUPIED

\_\_\_WORK IN PROGRESS

#### ACCESSIBLE

\_\_\_YES: RESTRICTED

\_\_\_YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒NO

#### PRESENT USE

\_\_\_AGRICULTURE

\_\_\_COMMERCIAL

\_\_\_EDUCATIONAL

\_\_\_ENTERTAINMENT

\_\_\_GOVERNMENT

\_\_\_INDUSTRIAL

\_\_\_MILITARY

\_\_\_MUSEUM

\_\_\_PARK

☒PRIVATE RESIDENCE

\_\_\_RELIGIOUS

\_\_\_SCIENTIFIC

\_\_\_TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_OTHER:

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

William Spicknall

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Old Bayside Road

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake Beach

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
MD 20732

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street (MD Route 765)

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

Maryland

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_FEDERAL \_\_\_STATE \_\_\_COUNTY \_\_\_LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This gable-roofed frame house is unusual for its true 1½ story height. The south-facing three-bay facade features small windows in the half-story under the eaves line. An interior chimney heats the west end, while an exterior chimney heats the east end. This brick chimney is wide at the base, then narrows through stepped shoulders to stove-flue size above the first story. The caps of both chimneys are covered with cement.

A small, gabled porch covers the facade's central entrance. Tapered round posts supporting the pedimented gable only vaguely suggest Greek Revival influence. Six over six windows framed in plain flat boards flank the entrance. Another six over six window lights the half-story to the left of the east chimney.

Modern composition shingles cover the roof. Asbestos shingles sheath the walls. A gable-roofed brick structure standing about 4' tall, appears c. 20' east of the dwelling. This building is not positively identified, but it appears to be a well cover.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY



PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The unusual 1½-story height, Greek Revival entrance, and chimneys large enough to accommodate fireplaces suggest a mid-19th century date for this building.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Merry Stinson

ORGANIZATION

Calvert County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route 5, Box 154

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Leitersburg,

STATE

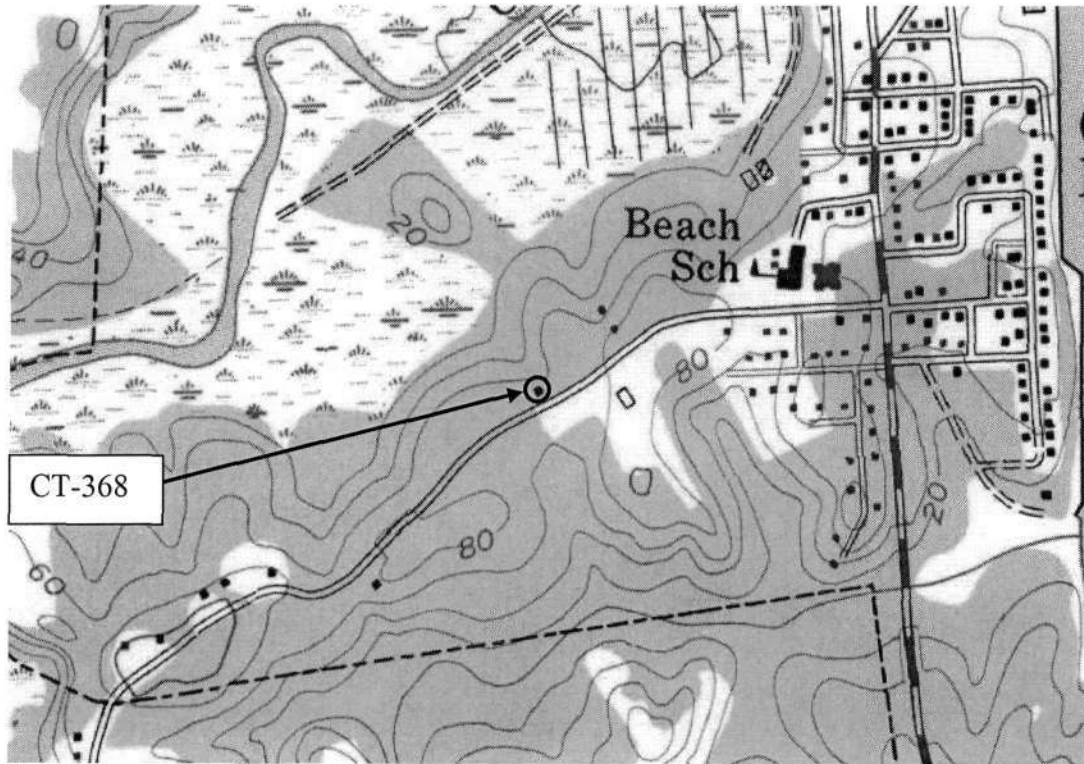
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S & E elevations

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